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To : Mr. J. H. Geer

Date 9/18/85

From : T. E. DuHadway

Subject : LIEUTENANT GENERAL JAMES A. WILLIAMS
U.S. ARMY,
DIRECTOR
DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (DIA)
LETTER OF APPRECIATION - RETIREMENT

PURPOSE:

To advise of the retirement of Lieutenant General JAMES A. WILLIAMS from DIA effective close of business 9/30/85, and to recommend preparation of a letter of appreciation over the Director's signature be prepared and sent General WILLIAMS via Liaison Unit, prior to his retirement on 9/30/85.

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Correspondence Unit prepare a letter of appreciation and congratulations to General WILLIAMS over the Director's signature, to be sent to him via Liaison Unit prior to 9/30/85.

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- 1 - Mr. J. H. Geer
- 1 - Mr. T. E. DuHadway
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Memorandum to Mr. J. H. Geer from T. E. DuHadway
RE: LIEUTENANT GENERAL JAMES A. WILLIAMS
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DETAILS:

Lieutenant General JAMES A. WILLIAMS was appointed the Director, Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA), on 9/25/81.

In July, 1979, General WILLIAMS was appointed Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff of Intelligence, U.S. Army, Washington, D. C. In July, 1980, General WILLIAMS was named Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence, U.S. Army, Europe, where he served until September, 1981, when he was appointed the Director, Defense Intelligence Agency.

General WILLIAMS was promoted to Lt. General on 9/25/81. He will retire from DIA on 9/30/85. General WILLIAMS retirement plans are not known at this time.

General WILLIAMS replacement as Director, DIA, on 10/1/85 will be Major General LEONARD H. PERROOTS, U.S. Air Force.

General PERROOTS was promoted to Major General on 9/1/84, with date of rank 11/1/80. He is currently assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, Headquarters U.S. Air Force and commander, Air Force Intelligence Service, Washington, D. C.

During General WILLIAMS' lengthy career in Intelligence, he has been a strong supporter of the FBI.

Because of his outstanding cooperation over the years, General WILLIAMS is fully deserving of a letter of appreciation and congratulations signed by the Director.

It is recommended that this letter be prepared and forwarded General WILLIAMS via Liaison Unit prior to 9/30/85.

It is noted that the Director has accepted invitations to the "Change of Command Ceremony" at Bolling Air Force Base on 9/27/85 and a reception at the Ft. McNair Officer's Club in honor of General WILLIAMS on 9/30/85 at 7:30 p.m. The Liaison Unit, Intelligence Division has determined that two internal presentations will be made to General WILLIAMS at Ft. McNair on 9/30/85; however, no outside presentations are in order at either this function or the Change of Command Ceremony on 9/27/85.

Biographic sketches of Lt. General JAMES A. WILLIAMS and Major General LEONARD H. PERROOTS are attached hereto.



DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY BIOGRAPHY

LIEUTENANT GENERAL JAMES A. WILLIAMS, U.S. ARMY

Lieutenant General James A. Williams was appointed the Director, Defense Intelligence Agency on September 25, 1981. *Photograph W*

General Williams was born in Paterson, New Jersey on March 29, 1932 and was graduated from Ramsey High School, Ramsey, New Jersey in 1950. In 1954, he was graduated from the United States Military Academy with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Engineering, and was commissioned a second lieutenant in Air Defense Artillery. He received a Master of Arts Degree in Latin American Studies from the University of New Mexico in 1964.

Following commissioning, General Williams attended the Air Defense Basic Officers Course, Fort Bliss, Texas. In January 1955, he was assigned to the 51st Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. In February 1956, he was assigned to the 35th Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion, Fort Meade, Maryland.

In early 1957, General Williams entered the United States Army Intelligence School, Fort Holabird, Maryland. Later that year, he was assigned to the 470th Counterintelligence Corps (CIC) Detachment, Fort Amador, Canal Zone. In April 1958, he was assigned to the 471st Counterintelligence Corps (CIC) Detachment, Fort Brooke, Puerto Rico.

From July 1960 to June 1961, General Williams attended the Artillery Officers Career Course, Fort Sill, Oklahoma. In June 1961, he was assigned to the Field Command of the Defense Atomic Support Agency, Sandia Base, New Mexico, as a Security Inspector.

General Williams attended the United States Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas from August 1964 to June 1965. He remained at Fort Leavenworth, where he was assigned to the United States Army Combat Developments Command as the project intelligence officer for Tactical Area and Surveillance (TARS 75).

From January to April 1966, General Williams attended the Defense Intelligence School, Washington, D.C. In June of that year, he was assigned as the Assistant Army Attache, Caracas, Venezuela, where he served until June 1969.



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General Williams served as Commander, 1st Military Intelligence Battalion (Provisional), 525th MI Group, United States Army, Vietnam, from June 1969 to June 1970 when he was assigned to the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Military Operations, United States Army, Washington, D.C.

From August 1971 until June 1972, General Williams attended the National War College, Washington, D.C. Upon graduation, he was named Director of Political/Military Affairs, Bureau of Inter-American Affairs, State Department, Washington, D.C., where he remained until June 1974.

In June 1974, General Williams was appointed the Chief, Counterintelligence and Collection Division, Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, United States Army, Washington, D.C. In December 1974, he was assigned as the Commander, 650th Military Intelligence Group (Counterintelligence), Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, where he remained until July 1976.

General Williams returned to the United States, and was appointed Chief, Missile Forces/Strategic Arms Limitation Branch, Soviet/Warsaw Pact Division, Defense Intelligence Agency, Washington, D.C. In January 1977, he was named the Deputy Director for Estimates, Defense Intelligence Agency.

In July 1979, he was appointed Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, United States Army, Washington, D.C. In July 1980, he was named Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence, United States Army, Europe, where he served until September 1981, when he was appointed the Director, Defense Intelligence Agency.

General Williams' military decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, the Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster, the Bronze Star Medal with V Device and Oak Leaf Cluster, the Meritorious Service Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Air Medals, the Joint Service Commendation Medal, and the Army Commendation Medal.

General Williams was promoted to Lieutenant General on September 25, 1981.

General Williams is married to the former Barbara Widnall of Saddle River, New Jersey. They have two children: Steven J., a senior at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, Massachusetts, and Karen C., a freshman at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Virginia.

**PERSONAL FACT SHEET — LIEUTENANT GENERAL
JAMES ARTHUR WILLIAMS**

A. Personal Data

1. Born: March 29, 1932, Paterson, New Jersey.
Father: Charles M. Williams (deceased).
Mother: Elsie Kretzschmar Williams (deceased).
2. Married: June 26, 1959.
Wife: Barbara Widnall Williams.
Children: Steven J. and Karen C.
3. Hometown: Allendale, New Jersey.

B. Education

1. Graduated: Ramsey High School, Ramsey, New Jersey, 1950; United States Military Academy, West Point, New York, 1954; University of New Mexico, 1964; National War College, Fort McNair, Washington, D.C., 1972.
2. Attended: Air Defense Basic Officers Course, Fort Bliss, Texas, 1954; United States Army Intelligence School, Fort Holabird, Maryland, 1957; Artillery Officers Career Course, Fort Sill, Oklahoma, 1960; United States Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, 1965; Defense Intelligence School, Washington, D.C., 1966.

C. Service

1. Aug 1954 — Dec 1954 Student, Air Defense Basic Officers Course, Fort Bliss, Texas.
2. Jan 1955 — Feb 1956 Assigned to the 51st Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
3. Feb 1956 — Feb 1957 Assigned to the 35th Antiaircraft Artillery Battalion, Fort Meade, Maryland.
4. Feb 1957 — Jun 1957 Student, United States Army Intelligence School, Fort Holabird, Maryland.
5. June 1957 — Apr 1958 Assigned to the 470th Counterintelligence Corps (CIC) Detachment, Fort Amador, Canal Zone.
6. Apr 1958 — Jul 1960 Assigned to the 471st Counterintelligence Corps (CIC) Detachment, Fort Brooke, Puerto Rico.
7. Jul 1960 — Jun 1961 Student, Artillery Officers Career Course, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
8. Jun 1961 — Aug 1964 Security Inspector, Field Command, Defense Atomic Support, Sandia Base, New Mexico.

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9. Aug 1964 — Jun 1965 Student, United States Army Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.
10. Jul 1965 — Nov 1965 Assigned to the United States Army Combat Division Command, Tactical Area and Surveillance (TARS 75), Fort Leavenworth, Kansas.
11. Jan 1966 — Apr 1966 Student, Defense Intelligence School, Washington, D.C.
12. Jun 1966 — Jun 1969 Assistant Army Attache, United States Defense Attache Office, American Embassy, Caracas, Venezuela.
13. Jun 1969 — Jun 1970 Commander, 1st Military Intelligence Battalion (Provisional), 525th MI Group, United States Army, Vietnam.
14. Jun 1970 — Aug 1971 Staff Officer, European Branch, Atlantic Division, Operations Directorate, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Military Operations, United States Army, Washington, D.C.
15. Aug 1971 — Jun 1972 Student, National War College, Washington, D.C.
16. Jun 1972 — Jun 1974 Director, Political/Military Affairs, Bureau of Inter-American Affairs, State Department, Washington, D.C.
17. Jun 1974 — Dec 1974 Chief, Counterintelligence and Collection Division, Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, United States Army, Washington, D.C.
18. Dec 1974 — Jul 1976 Commander, 650th Military Intelligence Group, (Counterintelligence), Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe.
19. Jul 1976 — Dec 1976 Chief, Missile Forces/Strategic Arms Limitation Branch, Soviet/Warsaw Pact Division, Defense Intelligence Agency, Washington, D.C.
20. Jan 1977 — Jul 1979 Deputy Director for Estimates, Defense Intelligence Agency, Washington, D.C.
21. Jul 1979 — Jul 1980 Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, United States Army, Washington, D.C.
22. Jul 1980 — Sep 1981 Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence, United States Army, Europe.
23. Sep 1981 — Present Director, Defense Intelligence Agency.

D. Decorations and Service Awards

Defense Superior Service Medal

Legion of Merit with Oak Leaf Cluster

Bronze Star Medal with V Device and with Oak Leaf Cluster

Meritorious Service Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters

Air Medals

Joint Service Commendation Medal

Army Commendation Medal

E. Effective Dates of Promotions

Grade	Temporary	Permanent
2LT	Jun 4, 1954	Jun 4, 1954
1LT	Dec 4, 1955	Jun 4, 1957
CPT	Aug 17, 1960	Jun 4, 1961
MAJ	May 26, 1965	Jun 4, 1968
LTC	Jun 27, 1968	Jun 4, 1975
COL	Jan 1, 1974	Jun 4, 1978
BG	Mar 1, 1978	Jun 1, 1980
MG	Sep 8, 1980	
LTG	Sep 25, 1981	

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Biography

United States Air Force

Secretary of the Air Force, Office of Public Affairs, Washington, D.C. 20330

MAJOR GENERAL LEONARD H. PERROOTS

Major General Leonard H. Perroots is assistant chief of staff, intelligence, Headquarters U.S. Air Force and commander, Air Force Intelligence Service, Washington, D.C.

General Perroots was born April 24, 1933, in Morgantown, W. Va., where he graduated from St. Francis High School in 1950. He received a bachelor of science degree in history from West Virginia University in 1955 and a master's degree in international affairs from The George Washington University, Washington, D.C., in 1975. The general completed Squadron Officer School at Maxwell Air Force Base, Ala., in 1960; Strategic Intelligence School in 1961; and the National War College at Fort Lesley J. McNair, Washington, D.C., in 1975; all as a distinguished graduate.



He received his commission through the Reserve Officer Training Corps program at West Virginia University and entered active duty in May 1955 as a squadron intelligence officer for the 95th Fighter-Interceptor Squadron, Andrews Air Force Base, Md. General Perroots was then assigned to the 59th Fighter-Interceptor Squadron at Goose Air Base, Labrador. In March 1959 he transferred to the Combined Services Support Program at Stead Air Force Base, Nev., and attended Squadron Officer School, from August until December 1960.

General Perroots returned to Stead Air Force Base where he was selected as chief of the Combined Services Support Program. From June 1962 to August 1965, he was assigned to Headquarters Alaskan Air Command at Elmendorf Air Force Base, Alaska, as chief, Operations Intelligence and Training Branch, Office of the Director of Intelligence.

In August 1965 General Perroots transferred to Air Force headquarters as chief of the Current Intelligence and Briefing Branch, Directorate of Estimates, Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence. In August 1969 he was assigned as chief, Combat Analysis Division, Directorate of Targets, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Intelligence at Headquarters 7th Air Force, Tan Son Nhut Air Base, Republic of Vietnam.

After returning to the United States in September 1970, he was again assigned to the Air Staff as chief of the Operational Intelligence Division. During this period General Perroots' tour of duty was interrupted by special projects directed by the Air Force chief of staff and Joint Chiefs of Staff in support of Linebacker II bombing operations in Southeast Asia and fact finding requirements associated with the Middle East war. His Air Staff duties included briefing the White House Staff, congressional committees, secretary of Defense, Joint Chiefs of Staff, secretary of the Air Force and Air Force chief of staff. In September 1975 General Perroots was assigned to the Tactical Air Command, Langley Air Force Base, Va., as the director of

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operational intelligence and in February 1978 became deputy chief of staff for intelligence. In September 1980 he was assigned as deputy chief of staff for intelligence, Headquarters United States Air Forces in Europe, Ramstein Air Base, Germany. He assumed his present duties in May 1985.

His military decorations and awards include the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit with two oak leaf clusters, Bronze Star Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal with one oak leaf cluster, Air Force Outstanding Unit Award Ribbon and Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross with palm.

He was promoted to major general Sept. 1, 1984, with date of rank Nov. 1, 1980.

General Perroots is married to the former Mary Slavensky of Morgantown, W.Va. They have five children: Sharon, Leonard Jr., Steven, Barbara and John.